TRADE IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE

A WEALTH OF INFORMATION ON-LINE

Trade among the countries of the Western Hemisphere has grown significantly in the last decade. According to the World Trade Organization, trade in the Western Hemisphere accounted for nearly 22 percent of world trade in 2001, up from 20 percent in 1980. We have provided a cross-section of useful sites to help you navigate the waters of trade within the Western Hemisphere.



LATINSOURCE

www.latinsource.com provides research and analysis from economists and political analysts that reside in Latin America. These advisors are based in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, Peru and Venezuela.

FINANCIAL EQUITY COMPANIES IN USD

http://fecu.com is a resource for locating public information on financial

institutions in Chile, Peru, Argentina, and Central Banks of South America.

LATIN REPORTS

www.latin-reports.com provides current economic and financial information on the economies of Latin America.

LATINFOCUS

www.latin-focus.com is intended for financial services firms, international investors and multinational companies that seek to identify key issues affecting regional economic growth and to capitalize on the business opportunities offered by the key emerging Latin American economies (Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, Peru and Venezuela).

U.S. GOVERNMENT RESOURCES

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE: Export.gov http://export.gov

Buy USA.com www.buyusa.com

Country Commercial Guides www.export.gov/cntryind.html

Trade Information Center www.export.gov/tic

The Trade Compliance Center www.export.gov/tcc

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office www.uspto.gov includes searchable patent databases

U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

www.ustr.gov/regions/ whemisphere/index.shtml

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE www.fas.usda.gov

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE www.state.gov/p/wha

U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE Commission www.usitc.gov

MULTI-LATERAL ORGANIZATIONS

FREE TRADE AREA OF THE AMERICAS

www.alca-ftaa.org/alca_e.asp This site contains documents from the process initiated in the 1994 Summit of the Americas to integrate the economies of the Western Hemisphere into a single free trade arrangement.

ASSOCIATION OF CARIBBEAN STATES

www.acs-aec.org is an organization for consultation, cooperation and concerted action among the countries of the Greater Caribbean. Its current focus is on cooperation in trade, transport, sustainable tourism and natural disasters.

ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN ECLAC/CEPAL

www.eclac.cl was founded for the purposes of contributing to the economic development of Latin America, coordinating actions directed towards this end, and reinforcing economic relationships among Latin American countries and with the other nations of the world.

SUMMIT OF THE AMERICAS CENTER

www.americasnet.net/SOAC_Home/ index.htm offers timely news, analysis and comment on Summit implementation, with special emphasis on the Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) negotiations.

GENERAL INFORMATION

THE BORDER TRADE INSTITUTE

www.tamiu.edu/coba/bti tracks the flow of U.S.-Mexico goods (5-digit SITC code) by U.S. Customs border ports, on a monthly basis.



CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF WESTERN HEMISPHERIC TRADE

University of Texas at Austin – ILAS http://lanic.utexas.edu/cswht/ is a list of Web-based resources by country, including trade agreements, publications and international resources.

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN CANADA'S DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/latinamerica/ menu-e.asp

LATINEXPO

www.latinexpo.com is an electronic marketplace geared toward the Latin American market.

NATIONAL LAW CENTER FOR INTER-AMERICAN FREE TRADE

www.natlaw.com provides links to the Inter-American Trade Report, a monthly publication covering recent legal developments affecting trade and investment in Latin America and the InterAm Database, which provides documents regarding legal and government documents in 23 Latin American countries.

FOREIGN TRADE INFORMATION SYSTEM (SICE, OAS)

www.sice.oas.org is the information technology arm of the Trade Unit of the Organization of American States (OAS). Its goal is to provide the most complete information and documents on trade in the Western Hemisphere as possible.

NEWS SOURCES



LATIN NEWS

www.latinnews.com is a comprehensive Latin-focused news resource. Readers can subscribe and be notified of news updates.

WORLD TRADE MAGAZINE

www.worldtrademag.com

LATIN TRADE MAGAZINE

www.latintrade.com/newsite/index.cfm

JOURNAL OF COMMERCE

www.joc.com

FINANCING

INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

www.iadb.org — a comprehensive resource for doing business in Latin

America, including country specific information and IADB projects in each.



THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORPORATION

www.ifc.org is part of the World Bank Group, funds activities globally and gives strategy and approach for its activities in each country.

TRADE DATA

TRADE DATA ONLINE CANADIAN AND U.S. TRADE

http://strategis.ic.gc.ca/sc_mrkti/tds t/engdoc/tr_homep.html

DATA INTAL WEB

http://estadisticas.sieca.org.gt/datain talweb/ is a data resource for trade from countries of Latin America, trading blocs and the rest of the world.

DATAWER

http://dataweb.usitc.gov is an interactive tariff and trade database.

EXPORT.GOV

www.export.gov/tradestatistics.html provides export statistics from the United States to the world.